

CIA Chief Weighs Soviet Efficiency In Espionage

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Allen W. Dulles, director of the Central Intelligence Agency, says he thinks the Soviets are good at collecting intelligence but he doubts they make the best use of what they learn.

In an interview with Representative Kenneth B. Keating (R) of New York, filmed for television broadcast in New York state, Mr. Dulles said he see no evidence the Soviets have slackened their efforts "in the covert field and the field of subversion" since the Geneva summit conference.

Mr. Dulles said the Soviet Union probably has the world's largest intelligence network and added:

"I think they're good in collecting. I'm not awful sure they're good in analyzing. I don't think the people who analyze the intelligence they get know these other countries well enough."

As for CIA's efforts to gather intelligence from Iron Curtain countries, Mr. Dulles said this task is almost more difficult today in the Soviet Union than it was in Germany during World War II.

"You have to be a little more discreet, a little more careful in times of peace," he said.

Asked about Communist claims that CIA agents have infiltrated the Soviet Union and Communist China Mr. Dulles said:

"I'm not going to confirm or deny that. I sometimes think they exaggerate a little bit but I'll let them say what they want on that score."